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Honorable Taryn A. Merkl, U.S.M.J.  
United States District Court  
Eastern District Of New York  
225 Cadman Plaza East  
Brooklyn, New York 11201

**Re:    Morales et al. v. Fourth Avenue Bagel Boy, Inc. et al.**  
**18 Civ. 3734 (DLI) (TAM)**

Dear Judge Merkl:

We advised Mr. Gerges of the in-person status conference scheduled for May 19, 2022. This morning we spoke with Mr. Gerges and we do not expect him to appear for the conference. Under the circumstances, we respectfully request that the conference be conducted by telephone. If the request is granted, we would forward the dial-in instructions to Mr. Gerges.

Thank you for Your Honor's attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Kenneth A. Goldberg

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